## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

În re: Thied et al Serial No.: 10/049,779 Filed: June 26, 2002

Confirmation No.: 6112 Group Art Unit: 1742

Examiner: Wesley A. Nicolas

PROCESS FOR SEPARATING METALS

Date: February 25, 2004

Fee Enclosed \$ 110.00

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of (1) month(s) to		
respond to the Official Action dated November 20, 2003.			
2.	A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:		
	is filed herewith.		
	has been filed.		
3.	Applicant:		
	Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.		
	Does not claim small entity status.		
4.	Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):		
	Total Months Requested	Fee For Other  Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
	one month two months three months four months five months	\$110.00 \$420.00 \$950.00 \$1,480.00 \$2,010.00	\$55.00 \$210.00 \$475.00 \$740.00 \$1,005.00

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✓ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 ✓ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
 ✓ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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